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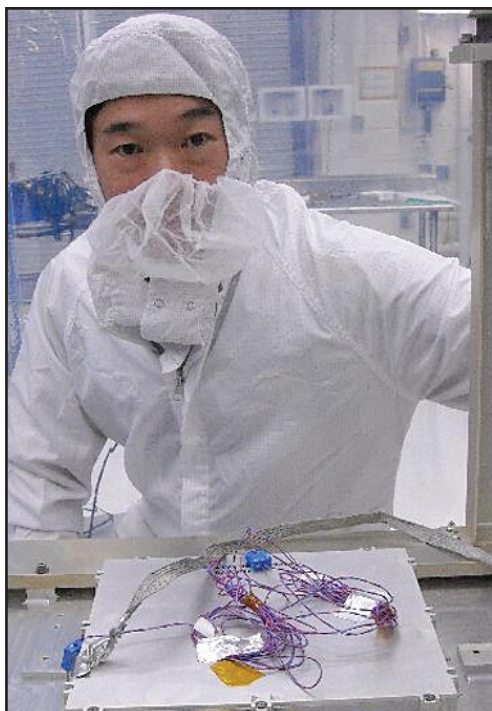
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**Exclusive insights on the final U.S. manned shuttle launch
from Dr. Ed Cheung**

NASA engineer from Aruba will participate in this historic event

Aruban born electrical engineer Dr. Ed Cheung, a specialist in robotics, will be among the group of scientists and technicians in the "Tweet Tent" at Kennedy Space Center on July 8 when the last of the 3 orbiters, Atlantis, departs on its final manned mission to the International Space Station, (ISS.) This will be STS 135, the ultimate flight of the 30-year space shuttle program; upon return, Atlantis is destined for display at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor



Ed and the ACU controller

Complex. The Endeavor, newest of the 3 shuttles, landed from its last mission on June 1, and will reside in the California Space Center, while Discovery, which logged the most launches, returned from its last mission on March 9 to finally take its place at The Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Cheung has been a part of the Hubble Space Telescope project for the last two decades, much of it as Principal Engineer of the HST Service Project. Always mindful of his homeland, he shared his role in the final HST repair mission in May of 2009, with daily behind-the-scenes bulletins to THE MORNING NEWS reporter Rosalie Klein, which were avidly followed by readers.

Dr. Cheung departs today for Kennedy Space Center from his home base at Goddard Space Center in Maryland to participate in this final Atlantis launch, as the shuttle will carry equipment devised by Ed and his team aimed at initiating a new and profitable venture

for NASA.

Now that their work for the HST is done, the service team has turned their talents towards creating robotics that will allow satellites to be refueled in space, thus extending their life and providing huge savings on having to put new weather and communication satellites in orbit every few years. "At present, there is at least one satellite launching a month in the U.S. alone; private or governmental. If the technology on a particular satellite doesn't need to be updated, this could be a viable alternative."

The equipment is in the demonstration stage, and if successful, will set a precedent as to how satellites will be constructed before launch, as fuel tanks will need to be more accessible to the robotic arm placing the pump. At present, they are fuelled on the ground by a human crew just before launch, and when nearly all the fuel is expended - in perhaps 5 or 10 years- just enough remains to push the satellite out

of geosynchronous orbit - the "high rent" district of space around the earth, where an estimated 100 government satellites and 4 times that number of private objects now orbit. They finally come to rest further out into what is literally a "space junkyard" where a countless number litter the upper reaches of the stratosphere; cutting down on "space junk" would be an additional benefit of the program.

The robotics of his team may very well have other applications, as a study revealed there are at least 8 unsuccessful satellite launches annually, nearly equal to 10 years ago. "Often the trauma of launch has interfered with an antenna or solar ray deploying, rendering the satellite useless, and requiring the launch of another. This is a huge expense. It is possible our equipment may be able to solve the problem; sometimes a simple action, akin to hitting the recalcitrant extension with a stick, is all that is needed."

Dr. Cheung has promised to provide us with first hand observations leading up to this historic launch, which will be published here in THE MORNING NEWS, beginning with today's visit to the Kennedy Space Center, where he will check on the equipment after being shipped from Goddard, and see it installed on Atlantis. He is very excited about sharing his experience with our readers and his fellow Arubans when the last manned flight from the U.S. takes off from Kennedy Space Center on July 8. Manned flights to the ISS will continue, but from other countries, as the U.S. shuttle program comes to an end. He has detailed their testing process for the launch and explains the workings of the new equipment on his website: <http://www.edcheung.com/job/iss/iss.html>

Aruban Monuments to be financed by National Restoration Fund



ORANJESTAD -- There are about 356 monuments on Aruba, many of which are in the hands of private concerns. It is difficult to obtain financing for the restoration of those in private hands.

However, after her meeting with Dutch National Restoration Fund, Minister Michelle Winklaar-Hooyboer, reported that there may now be the opportunity for restoring these monuments. An agreement was reached to have the Fundacion Monumento di Aruba evaluate our monuments to help their owners to renovate and restore these buildings.

Over 25 years ago, the government of the Netherlands instituted the National Restoration Fund for the purpose of financing the restoration of monuments throughout the Dutch Kingdom. Back then they deposited 280 million guilders which in the ensuing years have earned considerable interest and has grown to the amount of 350 million Euros, namely, 70 million more Euros. It is this sum that they loan to initiatives in Holland and in the Dutch Kingdom who meet the requirements for being a monument.

The Dutch foundation has already financed more than 13 different buildings, home and even a church. Their goal is to focus on the renovation and conservation of as many as our

monuments as possible for the preservation of our history. In Aruba, our goal is likewise to preserve and restore our monuments and to make them active again in the community, according to Minister Winklaar-Hooyboer. The Minister of Culture is intent on renovating as many as possible of these monuments and to also attract certain museums from the Netherlands to come and establish here on Aruba.

I am convinced that through this means we can attract another type of tourism to our island....museum tourism. There are people who travel the world visiting museums, so, we want them to come to Aruba now, remarked the Minister.

The greatest challenge that the owners of these monuments have is financing. The government wants to help them overcome this challenge by bringing the National Restoration Fund to Aruba to help our people with the needed financing.

Within the next weeks they will be formalizing an agreement between the Dutch foundation and the Aruban monument foundation.

The accompanying photo shows Minister Winklaar-Hooyboer meeting with Pieter Siebinga, director of the foundation, together with Ron van de Veer, Dutch Parliament member.

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Obama to end Afghan surge by summer 2012



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WASHINGTON (AFP) — President Barack Obama will announce Wednesday he will pull all 33,000 surge troops out of Afghanistan by summer 2012, in a swifter draw-down than advocated by the Pentagon, a senior US official said.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity ahead of a major speech Obama was due to make at 8:00 pm (0000 GMT), said a first batch of 10,000 troops

would be pulled out of Afghanistan this year.

The president announced in December 2009 that he would send 30,000 troops to Afghanistan in a bid to check the momentum of the Taliban. A further 3,000 troops were deployed in support of the operation.

The troop withdrawal timetable, also confirmed by a congressional source, will mean that slightly less than 70,000 US troops will remain in Afghanistan when Obama asks voters for a second term in November 2012.

Bahrain court jails 8 opposition activists for life

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AFP) — A Bahrain court sentenced eight Shiite opposition activists to life in prison Wednesday for "plotting to overthrow" the kingdom's Sunni rulers, nearly a week ahead of a national dialogue proposed by the king.

The judgement drew an expression of concern from Washington, which stations its Fifth Fleet in the small but strategic Gulf archipelago.

The National Safety Court of first instance also jailed 13 other activists for two to 15 years on similar charges, the official Bahrain News Agency said.

A member of Bahrain's largest Shiite opposition grouping, the Islamic National Accord Association (Al-Wefaq), slammed the

sentence as contradicting King Hamad's calls for dialogue, set to begin on July 1.

"Is this the atmosphere for dialogue?" asked Khalil Marzooq in excerpts of a speech he gave at a press conference in Manama posted on his Facebook page. "When the one calling for change and reform is sentenced to life in prison, how will others take part?" he asked.

Ibrahim Sharif, the Sunni leader of the Waed secular group, who played a prominent role in month-long protests for democratic reform that were crushed in March, received a five-year sentence, BNA said.

Washington expressed concern about the use of military courts to try the activists.

US adds \$40 mn to fighting Central America crime

GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala (AFP) — The United States is boosting aid to Central America by \$40 million to help improve security amid rising violence from organized crime, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton announced Wednesday.

After arriving for talks with regional leaders, Clinton announced that funding for Washington's regional security partnership effort was being increased to \$300 million from \$260 million.

"We will be your ready partners but it must begin with you and led by you. Political power is necessary to root out corruption and ensure account-

able and effective institutions," she added.

She attended the Central American Security Conference with the leaders of Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Panama, aiming to curb crime in one of the world's most violent regions, fueled by a spillover from Mexico's war on drug cartels.

She also highlighted "the threats to democracy, the impacts on society's most vulnerable populations, especially women and children."

According to UN figures, Central America is the world's most violent region outside of war zones

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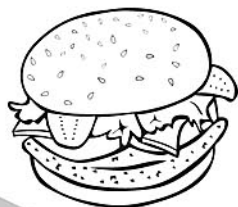
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Ten Signs You Should not be a Business Owner

Some time ago, a gentleman asked me..."Do you think I could have my own business?" I thought hard and long about his question and then gave him a rather lengthy answer. This article is part of the answer I gave him. My guess is that there are plenty more people asking the very same question. If you are thinking about starting a business, it might do you good to read this and examine yourself against the ten signs listed here. I used my ten fingers to answer the question!

Let me hasten to say that while no single sign here guarantees failure, any one of them in your "portfolio" will make success extremely difficult to achieve.

If in your reading you see yourself in any of the ten signs, you should stop and diligently work on improving that area before you proceed with your business plan. If you're already a business owner and you see yourself in any one of the steps, step back and make a plan to improve the area in which you come short. It is extremely important that you be honest with yourself. If you're honest with yourself and recognize your negative trait you can determine to change. The first five of the ten signs are:

1. You can't make deci-

sions – if you are a procrastinator, someone who needs to spend hours and days deliberating over any simple action before you decide, you may not be a good candidate for owning a business. Business owners have the ability to make decisions quickly and effectively, they are able to move things into action and then deal with the consequences later. Indecisive people, procrastinators, who sit around trying to figure out how to move, will waste precious time and business opportunities.

2. You won't take responsibility – if you're known to be an excuse maker, don't open a business, at least not until you get a handle on being the one who doesn't invent excuses but takes responsibility. The fun thing about being a business owner is that you get to be totally in charge; and the worst thing about being a business owner is that you have to be in charge because the bottom line depends on you. A business thrives or fails depending on the level of responsibility from its owner. Business owners take responsibility for every action in the business, even for employee mistakes. So, before you own a business you need to learn to take responsibility for what happens in your own



life and to put aside procrastination. You must be action oriented and take responsibility for every action!

3. Your sole interest is making money – if you're contemplating owning a business only because you want to make money and get rich you will very quickly lose heart and get discouraged. You can get rich by owning a business, many have. But, as you look around you will notice that many more people have lost money by starting a business. You see,

you need much more than a desire to make money to build a successful business. It takes time to build a good business, it takes failure and trials and errors and that calls for an internal strength of character, an intrinsic ambition that will keep you going even when there is no paycheck coming. Money comes after long hard work!

4. You swing between extremes - if you have heavy mood swings from one extreme to the other, from being "extremely depressed" to being

"unrealistically optimistic," then you're in for an impossible time as a business owner. Business owners need the ability to keep a healthy balance when dealing with the challenges they face as a business owner. If a minor setback can take you down into depression, you might not be equipped to run a business. Business owners also have the ability to control their excitement and enthusiasm and see possibilities from a realistic perspective. They are not given to extreme emotional swings. So, if you can't control your emotions, owning a business may not be for you.

5. You can't overcome chronic disorganization – if you just don't seem to know how to organize yourself, you live in clutter and disorder and can't organize a filing system, you will not do well as a business owner. Businesses must be organized; you must have an efficient paper trail/filing system to operate a business efficiently. Disorganization is the cornerstone for failure in a business!

Tomorrow we will examine the other 5 signs. If this was helpful, please feel free to let me know, write to me at: tony-green.morningnews@hotmail.com.

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RBC / RBTT celebrated Blue Water Day on Friday June 10th

This year's theme: 'Join the Wave'!



ORANJESTAD – On Friday June 10th RBC and RBTT held different activities for the employees, clients and the entire community in connection with the celebration of the Blue Water Day project. With this year's theme 'Join the Wave', RBC/RBTT promotes responsible water usage through education and awareness programs about the value and vulnerability of

our water resources.

On Blue Water Day all employees received a reusable water bottle to raise awareness on clean water and reduction of disposable plastic bottles. Bottled water is considered a 'no no' by the environmental community. Bottled water is very costly and it takes a great deal of energy to bottle and transport water that you can usually get

for free from your tap. The more energy used, the more greenhouse gases generated.

On this day there was a promo team that handed out flyers on the Blue Water project to clients at different RBC/RBTT branches. Clients also received a reusable water bottle and pledged through an allegiance card their commitment to become water stewards to preserve water and the environment for their children, grandchildren and future generations.

The RBC Blue Water project is our 10-year initiative towards water preservation through education and awareness programs about the value and vulnerability of our water resources. With our charitable contribution to non-profit organizations vested in this effort, we are ensuring our future generations are never without this most vital and precious commodity," a spokesperson said.

You can also 'Join the wave' on facebook.com/rbcbluewater. Just by clicking 'like' the page RBC will donate CAD 1 to the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) for each 'like'.

Loyal Aruban friends honored at the Marriott Ocean Club Resort



Recently at the Marriott Ocean Club Resort vacationers were presented with honorary titles created by the Ministry of Tourism as a token of appreciation for their many visits to Aruba.

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Also receiving distinction

were Frank Grady and Pamela Stanziola; they have been named Distinguished Visitors of Aruba for their more than 10 consecutive visit here.

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Friday is Feast of San Juan and Dera Gay



ORANJESTAD -- Once a year on June 24th Aruba celebrates the Feast of San Juan and Dera Gay Day. This celebration dates back to the 19th century as a feast of harvest. History tells us that on June 23rd our farmers would gather the remnants of their harvest and set this aflame in order to make way for the new agricultural season. The tradition however has rolled over to the evening of June 24th and people began burning all useless objects. So that today the lighting of fires have nothing to do with agriculture, except for just an old custom.

The fact that people today use useless objects such as tires, batteries, plastic material, wood, etc to light fires have become nothing but a nuisance to the community as they spread foul air across the barrio. The smoke generated by these fires affect everyone including our animals and the environment.

In 2009 the Fire Brigade responded to 270 calls for assistance related to fires on June 24th. Police were also occupied with various calls for assistance. The Hospital also offered medical care for persons who developed problems with breathing because of the excessive smoke. Our visitors also experience the many fires around the island. To them this can be rather obnoxious. --

Lighting of fires is prohibited by law. And, the smoke from these fires is dangerous to one's health. Anyone caught lighting a fire may be fined.

The celebration of our folkloric feast - San Juan and Dera Gay can be extremely delightful and safe if we don't light fires.

Caribbean Festival this week dedicated to San Juan "Dera Gai"

SAN NICOLAS -- Thousands of islanders and tourists already visited San Nicolas' main street on Thursday evenings, to discover the multicultural charms of Aruba's "Sunrise City," during the first Caribbean Festival, which is a regular weekly event.

The center of activities is a stage area where the audience can relax at tables to enjoy a diversity of cuisines from the region and a parade of local entertainers. San Nicolas was where most of the migrant population which came to work in the refinery during the 30's and 40's settled, bringing with them the distinctive food, music, dance and cultural traditions of their original homelands; traditions which their progeny born on Aruba have maintained through the decades.

It is this mélange of re-



gional flavors that provides the colors and tastes of the Caribbean Festival, figuratively and literally, offering visitors inexpensive and exotic meals and beverages plus free entertainment, every Thursday from 6:00 to 10:00 PM.

Tonight the festival is dedi-

cated to "San Juan, Dera Gay" (Bury the Rooster) - The feast of St. John, celebrated every June 24th. There will be performance by Masiduri, under the guidance of Vilma Kelly who will delight all those present with typical dances illustrating how this cultural event

was celebrated in the past with the slaughtering and burying of the rooster. Locals and tourists alike are welcome to participate in the dances.

Also entertaining the audience will be the Sta. Cruz Folkloric Group under guidance of Lia Lopez who will also give a presentation of the Dera Gay dance complete with fire show. Something worthwhile to see. The Superdancers under guidance of Magali Croes will entertain audience with other folkloric dances like the waltz, the ribbon dance and the simadanza.

Also performing: The Rincon Boys and Lee Connors on his steelpan.

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KLM to run planes on cooking oil



THE HAGUE (AFP) – Dutch airline KLM announced on Wednesday that it will use a biofuel generated from used cooking oil to power more than 200 commercial flights between Paris and Amsterdam starting in September.

"There will be 50 percent traditional kerosene and 50 percent biofuel extracted from used cooking oil," KLM spokesman Gedi Schrijver

told AFP, adding that KLM is the first airline to use this type of fuel in commercial flights.

The company said in a statement that using the fuel involved no technical changes to its aircraft.

"All biofuels used by KLM also have to meet precisely the same technical specifications as traditional kerosene and must not re-

quire any adjustments to aircraft engines or infrastructure," the statement said.

Made by US company Dynamic Fuels, the bio-kerosene is produced primarily from vegetable cooking oil that comes from restaurants.

In its statement, KLM noted that "the costs of biofuels need to come down substantially and permanently," before the company could contemplate using "100 percent sustainable energy."

But, KLM said, using the hybrid fuel in 200 flights is "another important step in aviation sustainability."

Camera lets people shoot first focus later

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) – Startup Lytro is promising to deliver by year's end a camera that lets people adjust the focus on photos after they take them.

Work that Ren Ng started in a lab while working on a PhD at Stanford University about eight years ago has led to the creation of what was billed as the first camera that captures the entire light field in a scene.

Software was then designed to use the light data to allow points of focus to be easily shifted in digital images, according to Northern California-based Lytro.

"Shoot now, focus later," the startup said Wednesday in a blog post describing its innovation.

"A Lytro can also help you remember more of what happened at that party last weekend," the message continued playfully.

Google breaks billion-visitor barrier on Internet

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) – Figures released on Tuesday by industry tracker comScore credited Google with being the first online operation to attract more than a billion visitors in a single month.

Slightly more than a billion people went to Google websites in May in what comScore billed as an unprecedented turn-out on the Internet.

Microsoft websites were

closing in on the milestone with more than 905 million "unique visitors" for the month, according to comScore.

Facebook had the third most visited Web addresses, but topped other online venues in terms of how long people lingered after they arrived. ComScore extrapolated the findings from a sampling of two million Internet users.

World Bank to fund environment projects in Madagascar

ANTANANARIVO (AFP) – The World Bank said Wednesday it was loaning an extra 52 million dollars (36 million euros) to Madagascar over three years to fund environmental projects despite the unsettled political situation on the Indian Ocean island.

"The financing will help boost conservation efforts in 30 national parks and three new protected zones covering a total area of 2.7 million hectares (6.6 million acres), a bank communique said.

The decision had been hotly debated as Madagascar's transitional government is not recognized by the international community.

Noting that its program in Madagascar has been frozen since March 2009, the bank stressed "the exceptional nature of this additional funding both for environmental and humanitarian reasons."

A source familiar with the case said on condition of anonymity that the United States abstained from voting after a long debate.

"Far from signalling a re-engagement of the World Bank in Madagascar, it (the loan) rather underscores that the social and environmental costs of inaction are simply too high," said Haleh Bridi, the bank's country director for Madagascar.

"Madagascar's biodiversity is a huge resource on the world scale and an irreplaceable public asset. We have no choice but to protect it," she added.

The statement said "additional safeguards were put in place to ensure that the Madagascar government play its role in protecting national parks and respect laws which ban the illegal exploitation and export of timber."



JAPAN, Tokyo : A visitor wearing a large head-mounted display (HMD) by high-tech venture Crescent enjoys a shooting game using virtual reality technology during the annual "3D and Virtual Reality Expo" in Tokyo on June 22, 2011. Crescent has introduced the company's high-end HMD "HEWDD-1080" which can show high-definition images for both eyes to give users a high immersive environment. (AFP PHOTO)



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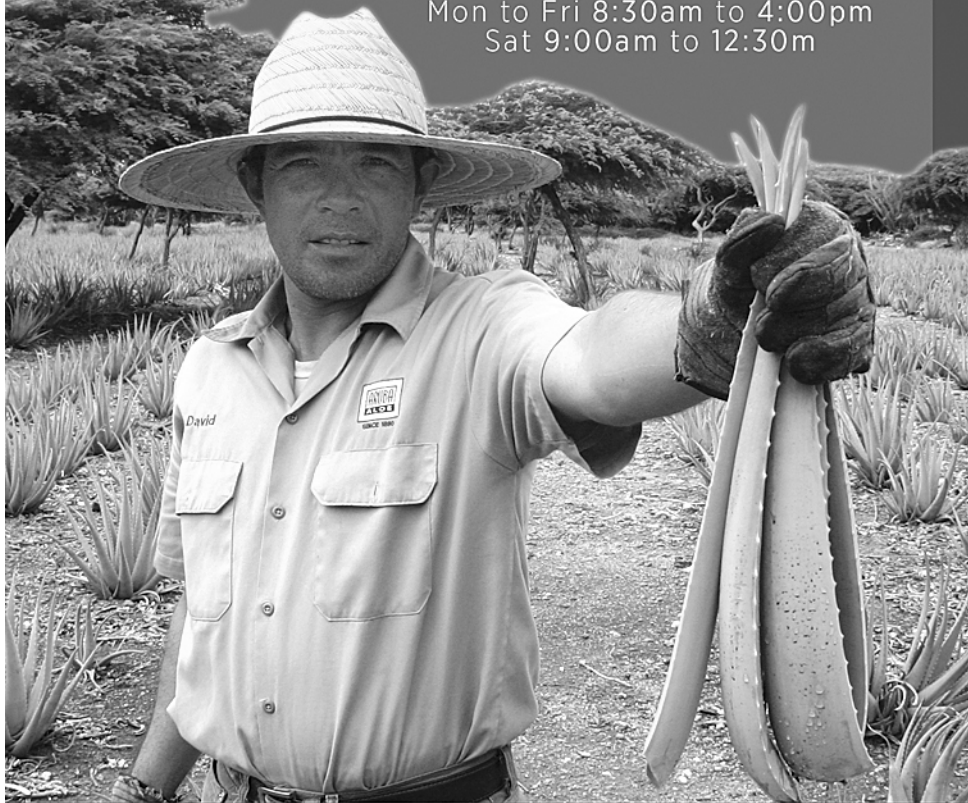
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Health & Living

New AIDS guidelines target global discrimination of gays



Children stand next to banners displayed during a march to mark World AIDS Day in the Philippines in 2008.

GENEVA, Switzerland (AFP) — The World Health Organisation published a new global guidelines for expanding AIDS treatment, focusing for the first time on homosexuals, who face discrimination in many countries.

"If we do not pay major attention to the epidemic in key populations, we will not be able to eliminate HIV" -- the virus that can lead to AIDS, said Gottfried Hirnschall, WHO director of the HIV/AIDS department.

"Men having sexual relations with other men" as well

as transsexuals represent those who were "disproportionately affected by the epidemic of HIV about 30 years ago and it continues to be so," Hirnschall said at a press conference in Geneva.

He added that the UN health agency has even seen a resurgence of the HIV epidemic, especially in industrialised countries.

"The dramatic fact is that MSM (men having sex with men) are estimated to be 20 times more likely to be HIV infected than the general population," he said.

In some countries and regions, up to 40 percent of homosexuals are estimated to be HIV positive, according to the WHO.

Given the sobering statistics, the WHO said it was launching new guidelines, aimed at the specific health needs of homosexuals.

The WHO said that many

homosexuals suffer due to lack of access to adequate care, often because of discrimination against gays.

Homosexual activity is illegal in no fewer than 75 countries, most of them in Africa, and some also do not legally recognise transsexuals, the global health agency said.

"They are exposed to harassment, exclusion, discrimination, violence" in many aspects of their life, work, education, as well as the health care system, Hirnschall said.

"Because of the stigma, because of the discrimination, they often access services late," he said, or they may not be able to get treatment at all.

"There is quite a political backlash that we see in many parts of the world to actually give these groups the rights and the services that they need," he said.

The new guidelines in particular call for countries to adopt laws to end discrimination against gays and provide better access to treatment to reduce the number of new infections and save lives.

Health Tip:

Factors That Contribute to Skin Cancer

-- People who have had severe blistering sunburns or frequent exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays are at greater risk of developing skin cancer, the U.S. National Cancer Institute reminds us.

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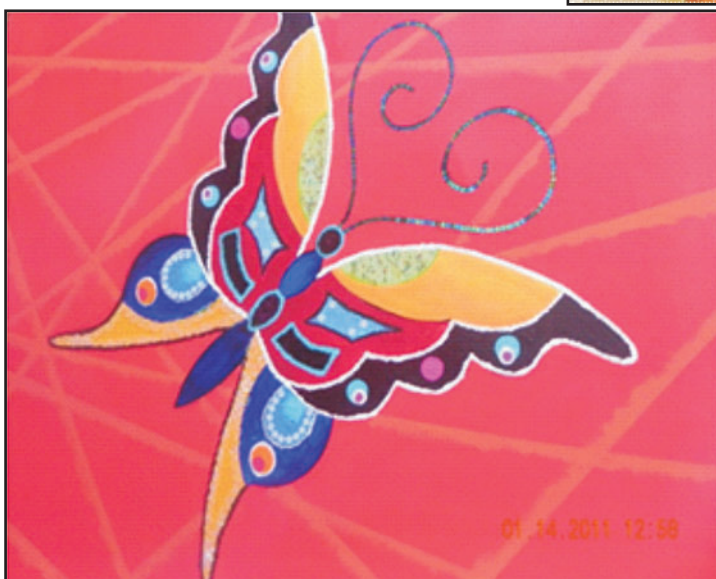
Monica Albisu is a multi talented artist from Argentina. She was born in Bahia Blanca in the province of Buenos Aires and studied Law at the University of Cordoba.

She has been involved in drawing, painting and music ever since she was a small child. She studied classical and Spanish dance and performed with the Rivera Indarte Theatre in Cordoba. She is also a pianist and composer and created a record label.

She studied plastic arts with several maestros such as Felipe Noe, Heriberto Zorrilla and Helena Distefano. However, she did put a diplomatic career in Cordoba in first place.

As of 2007 she has held annual exhibits at the Faculty of Law at the University of Buenos Aires. In 2010 she exhibited in Argentina and Aruba.

In September of last year she delivered a piece of art at the Dutch Embassy in Argentina to be auctioned for a good cause and she delivered the work "Ensueños" to be



handed over to Princess Maxima. She also created murals for the Hotel Guarani Splendor in Paraguay.

This year she already exhibited in Uruguay and on different occasions in Buenos Aires and Neuquen and as of June the 18th Albisu will exhibit her abstract and colorful work in the Aruba Westin Art Gallery and another series of paintings, - the "Butterflies for you" exposition at Costa Linda Beach Resort.

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Ronica Lopez explained this new unique hybrid sys-

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MUMBAI, India – Bollywood is abuzz with the bombshell news of screen darling Aishwarya Rai Bachchan expecting a child, thanks to a gleeful tweet from her megastar father-in-law.

The 37-year-old L'Oreal spokeswoman and her husband, actor Abhishek Bachchan, have kept mum since the news was announced late Tuesday by 68-year-old Amitabh Bachchan on Twitter.

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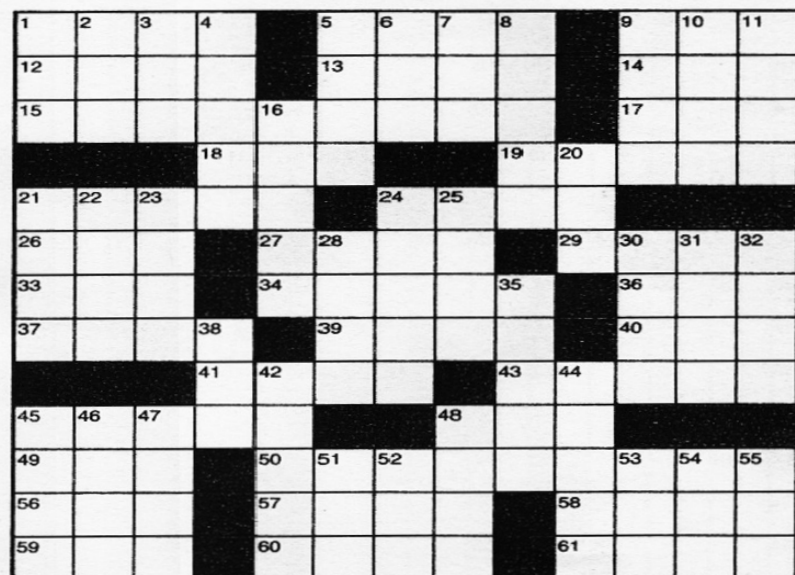
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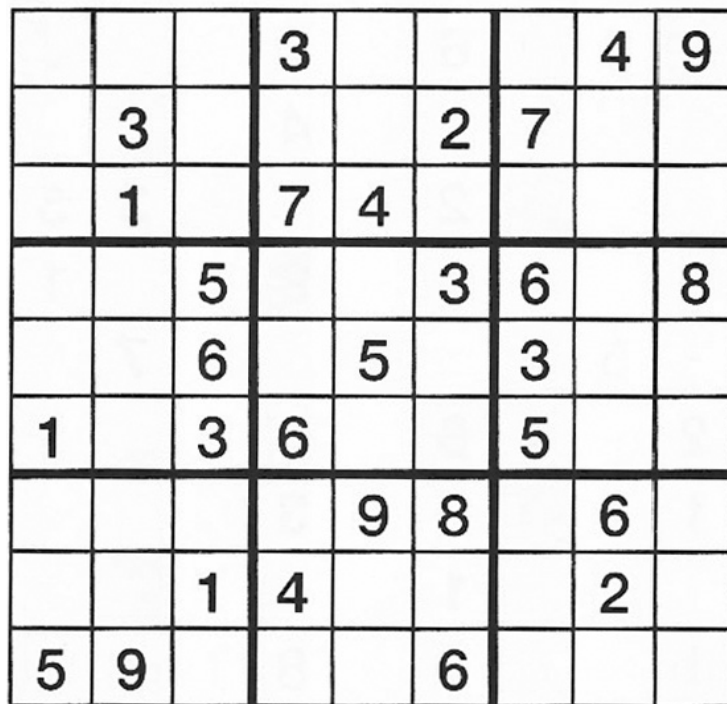
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France's Lagarde makes case for IMF top job



French Finance Minister Christine Lagarde arrives at IMF headquarters in Washington, DC.

WASHINGTON (AFP) — French Finance Minister Christine Lagarde on Wednesday took her campaign to lead the International Monetary Fund directly to the IMF officials who will choose between her and her Mexican rival.

Lagarde is up against Mexican central bank chief Agustín Carstens, who has been billed as the candidate of the world's developing economies, which have never before been represented in the position of IMF

managing director.

The two are vying to replace France's Dominique Strauss-Kahn, who resigned from the position in May to face trial in New York on charges of sexually assaulting a hotel maid. He has denied the allegations.

Lagarde -- who would be the first woman to head the powerful multilateral institution -- arrived in Washington late Tuesday.

She visited IMF headquarters on Wednesday for a series of bilateral meetings. In the evening, she was scheduled to meet US Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner.

Yesterday she auditioned before the 24 members of the IMF's executive board, who must decide on a successor to Strauss-Kahn by the end of June.

"During their informal meetings with the board, each candidate will present their views on issues facing the Fund and the membership, and the executive directors will be able to exchange views with the candidates," the IMF said earlier this week.

Carstens, a 53-year-old economist and former IMF official, presented his case be-

fore the executive board on Tuesday, pledging to bolster the legitimacy of the 187-nation fund if selected.

The Mexican central banker called for the IMF's governance structure to be more representative of emerging-market countries, which would in turn contribute more to the fund.

Carstens expressed satisfaction with the three-hour meeting as he left IMF headquarters in Washington.

Lagarde, 55, a lawyer by training, has declared that she believes the IMF should be "responsive, cooperative, legitimate and even-handed."

Lagarde is widely seen as the front-runner. But that has not stopped the two contenders from touring the world to promote their candidacies.

The board is scheduled to formally discuss the two candidates on June 28, and it must complete the selection process by June 30 at the latest.

The executive board will aim to reach a decision "by consensus," according to the IMF, but in case of deadlock it will decide by majority vote. The board consists of one woman and 23 men. Seven of the board's members are from the European Union.

Since 1946, under a tacit agreement between the United States and Europe, the leadership of the IMF has always gone to a European, while the top job at the World Bank has always gone to an American.

Oil prices surge as US inventories fall

NEW YORK, (AFP) — Oil prices rallied Wednesday as data showed a fall in US crude oil and gasoline inventories and the US Federal Reserve vowed to maintain ultra-low interest rates.

New York's main contract, West Texas Intermediate (WTI) light, sweet crude for delivery in August, gained \$1.24 to close at \$95.41 a barrel.

In London, Brent North Sea crude for August delivery jumped \$3.26 to \$114.21 a barrel on the IntercontinentalExchange.

"We saw a decent draw-down in crude stocks, and gasoline demand wasn't too bad. That's why we are seeing the prices rally," said Matt Smith, an analyst with Summit Energy.

Prices rose after a weekly report from the US government's Department of Energy (DoE) suggested that demand

for oil in the world's largest economy was stronger than anticipated.

Crude reserves sank 1.7 million barrels aaaaain the week ending June 17, the DoE said, much more than forecasts for a drop of 800,000 barrels.

Gasoline stockpiles fell 500,000 barrels, it announced. That confounded forecasts for a gain of 800,000 barrels, according to analysts polled by Dow Jones Newswires.

Gasoline figures are closely watched amid the peak-demand driving season in the United States, with many Americans hitting the road for their summer holidays.

Separately, the Fed's rate-setting body, the Federal Open Market Committee, announced that it would keep the federal funds rate at near-zero levels "for an extended period" to boost the flagging US economic recovery.

US tablet users paid \$53 for apps: study

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — More than 90 percent of US tablet computer users have downloaded applications and most have bought apps, spending over \$50 on average during the past 12 months, according to a study released on Wednesday.

Twelve percent of the total US population own or use a tablet, the study by the Online Publishers Association (OPA) found, with the number expected to rise to 23 percent, or 54 million people, by early 2012.

Ninety-three percent of tablet users have downloaded

apps, the study said, with the average tablet user downloading 20 apps, predominantly for weather, games and music, social networking and news.

Seventy-nine percent of those who have downloaded apps have paid for apps during the past 12 months, spending \$53 on apps during the period, the OPA study said.

Twenty-six percent of all apps downloaded are paid apps with games making up more than 50 percent of the apps people paid for, it said.

The study also found that 60 percent of tablet users are men and 48 percent are between the ages of 18 and 34.

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Curriculum Vitae

Paco Barragán (1963, Spain) is independent curator, Associate Editor of ART-PULSE (USA), and curatorial advisor of the Artist Pension Trust (APT), New York.

He served as co-curator for the International Biennale of Contemporary Art (IBCA) at the National Gallery in Prague in 2005; and the Bienal de Lanzarote in 2009; he served as artistic director of art fairs CIRCA PR and Photomiami.

He is author of "The Art to come/El arte que viene," 2002, SUBASTAS SIGLO XXI; editor of "Don't Call it Performance," 2004, FUNDACION SALAMANCA; author of "The Art Fair Age" released by CHARTA in June 2008; editor of "Sustainabilities" (CHARTA), 2008; and co-editor

with Selene Wendt of "When a Painting moves... Something Must be Rotten!," May, 2011, (CHARTA). He has made contributions between 1997 and 2011 for magazines like 'Contemporary', 'Metropolis M', 'Art nexus', 'Lapiz', 'ARTE', and 'The Art Newspaper.'

Barragán has curated a number of exhibitions internationally and a selection of most recent exhibitions include: 'The End of History... and The Return of History Painting', 2011, Museum voor Moderne Kunst Arnhem (MMKA), Arnhem, The Netherlands; touring to Domus Artium DA2, Salamanca, Spain, 2011; "Patria o libertad. The Rhetorics of Patriotism", 2010, Miami Dade College, Miami; touring to COBRA Museum, The Netherlands, 2011, and MoCCA, Toronto, Canada, 2011; "When a Painting Moves... Something Must Be Rotten!", 2011, Stenersen Museum, Oslo, Norway; "Cinema X: I Like to Watch", 2010, MoCCA, Toronto, 2010; "Drawing the Line", 2010, Galeria EDS, Mexico City; "The Non-Age. The Rebel of Age.", 2009, Kunsthalle Winterthur, Winterthur, Switzerland; "Marc Bijl: Arrested Development", 2009, Domus Artium DA2 (co-curated with Javier Panera), Salamanca, Spain.

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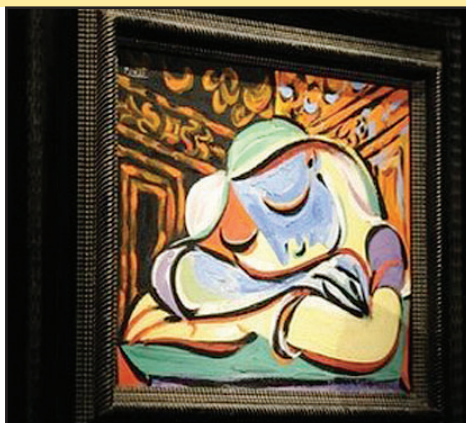
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Australian university celebrates \$20m Picasso sale

SYDNEY (AFP) – The University of Sydney was celebrating yesterday after a Picasso painting it was given sold for more than US\$20 million at a London auction, with the funds to be used for scientific research.

"Jeune fille endormie", an intimate portrait of the Spanish-born artist's lover Marie-Therese Walter, whom he met when he was 45 and she was 17, was one of three works at Christie's Impressionist and Modern Art Evening Sale. It sold for £13.5 million (US\$22 million) on Tuesday, easily surpassing its £9 million valuation.

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Galliano blames drugs, alcohol for rants



PARIS, France -Journalists, including fashion writers, packed the wooden benches in the courtroom, while Galliano repeatedly said he remembered nothing.

"I have a triple addiction. I'm a recovering alcoholic and a recovering addict," he testified in English when

asked why his memory was blank. He said he started drinking in 2007 and became addicted to alcohol, barbiturates and sleeping pills after the death of his close friend Steven Robinson and amid a financial meltdown.

Galliano, 50, is standing trial on charges of "public insults based on origin, religious affiliation, race or ethnicity". If found guilty, he could face up to six months in prison and a €22,500 (\$US32,485) fine.

Geraldine Bloch and Philippe Virgitti alleged that he subjected them to a 45-minute stream of personal insults and anti-Semitic abuse at a trendy bar, footage of which was later published by The Sun newspaper. In it, Galliano is recorded as saying that "people like you would be dead. Your mothers, your forefathers, would all be f... gassed" and "I love Hitler".

Galliano's appearance at the trial in a conservative

look for him, Galliano was dressed in black with a polka dot neckerchief, with a pencil mustache and long hair.

Galliano one of the most influential fashion designers of our time. Born in Gibraltar, he grew up in London and launched his own label before becoming chief designer of France's haute couture flagship, Christian Dior, in Paris.

John Galliano has created the most spectacular fashion shows of our time. Since his 1984 degree collection, Les Incroyables, which metamorphosed his London art school into a French Revolutionary street scene, he has transported his privileged audiences to more exotic and sartorially blessed places than they could possibly have imagined or experienced.

Galliano was dismissed from his post as Dior's head designer April 11 amid the investigation into his racist behaviour.

'Scarface' gun sells for £67,000 in London sale



image obtained from Christie's shows a Colt .38 revolver formerly owned by notorious "Al" Capone.

LONDON, England (AFP) – A revolver belonging to notorious US gangster "Al" Capone sold at a London firearms auction Wednesday for £67,250 (\$109,079, 75,656 euros).

The 1929 .38 "Police Positive" gun was used by the mobster, full name Alphonse Gabriel Capone, during his reign as king of the Chicago underworld in the prohibition era.

The Christie's Antique Arms, Armour and Collectors Firearms sale displayed 209 lots dating from the 10th to the 20th centuries and raised a total of Â£634,825.

"This sale saw strong international interest from a notable number of new clients,

including the successful purchaser of Al Capone's revolver," Howard Dixon, Head of Sale, said. "The clear demand for quality, condition and rarity reflected the hunt for perfection in this category," he added.

New York-born Capone gained notoriety for his involvement in the 1929 St Valentine's massacre which claimed the lives of seven rival mobsters and for his sharp suits and hats, which became the stereotypical image of gangsters thereafter.

Capone, who was also known by the nickname "scarface", once mused: "You can get much farther with a kind word and a gun than you can with a kind word alone."

Tennis: Nadal, Murray sail through at rain-hit Wimbledon



British player Andy Murray gestures as he plays against German player Tobias Kamke

LONDON, England (AFP) – Rafael Nadal sailed into the Wimbledon last 32 on Wednesday, playing under the Centre Court roof for the first time, while Andy Murray waited for the rain to stop before joining his rival in the third round.

Defending champion Nadal eased past Wimbledon debutant Ryan Sweeting of the United States 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.

The world number one, bidding for a third Wimbledon title and 11th career Grand Slam crown, goes on to tackle Luxembourg's Gilles Muller, who beat him here in 2005.

Muller made it through when dangerous Canadian 31st seed Milos Raonic retired after just five games of their second round clash when he fell awkwardly and injured his leg.

Nadal said he preferred to play without the £80 million roof covering the action on

Centre Court.

"This is the best court in the world. It's a pleasure always to play here. It's a new experience under the roof but I prefer to play with no roof, that's for sure. It's very humid and the court is slippery just to the left of the Royal Box."

Murray, seeded fourth and scheduled to meet Nadal in the last four, was equally untroubled, racing to a 6-3, 6-3, 7-5 win over Germany's Tobias Kamke.

The Scotsman, a semi-finalist for the last two years, next takes on Croatian veteran Ivan Ljubicic for a place in the last 16.

"I served well today, but the rest of my game needs some work," said Murray after his Court One workout.

Three-times runner-up Andy Roddick, the eighth seed, also eased through, defeating Romania's Victor Hanesu 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 and next plays Spain's Feliciano Lopez.

Heavy morning rain meant a three-hour delay to action away from the covered Centre Court with Swiss 14th seed Stanislas Wawrinka and Juan Ignacio Chela, the Argentine 25th seed left wishing the downpours had continued.

Wawrinka went down 7-6 (7/5), 6-3, 7-6 (7/4) to Italian lucky loser Simone Bolelli, the Italian world 116, while Chela went out 6-0, 6-3, 6-4 to Alex Bogomolov of the United States.

But there were no such problems for Czech sixth seed Tomas Berdych, last year's runner-up, who defeated France's Julien Benneteau 6-1, 6-4, 6-2.

Flamboyant French player Gael Monfils, the ninth seed,

also made it through with a 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 7-6 (9/7) win over Slovenia's Grega Zemlja.

American 10th seed Mardy Fish eased past Denis Istomin of Uzbekistan 7-6 (8/6), 6-4, 6-4 while 2007 semi-finalist Richard Gasquet, the French 17th seed, beat Russia's Igor Kunitsyn 6-1, 6-4, 6-4.

Venus into third round at Wimbledon

LONDON, England (AFP) – Venus Williams came from behind to reach the third round at Wimbledon here Wednesday in a gruelling three-hour battle with 40-year-old Japanese opponent Kimiko Date-Krumm.

Williams, 31, was forced to dig deep as Date-Krumm proved to be an unexpectedly awkward opponent for the five-time Wimbledon champion, who finally prevailed 6-7 (6/8), 6-3, 8-6 before a rapt Centre Court.

The win put Williams into a third round tie against Spain's Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez on Friday, who defeated Monica Niculescu 6-3, 6-0 earlier.

Williams, seeded 23, is feeling her way back into tennis after a five-month lay-off following an injury sustained at the Australian Open in January.

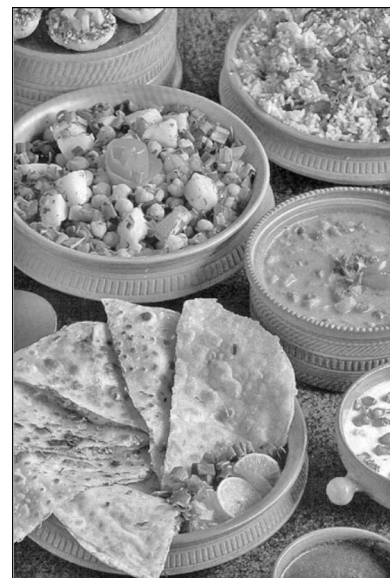
The former world number one said her enforced absence from the game had rekindled her competitive fires.

"I think more than anything I've learned I'm very competitive. I've been extremely positive regardless of how my opponent's playing. Just no matter what the score, very positive. Just keeping fighting," Williams said.

"I think that's going to be crucial, not only for me but for anyone in this championship to stay positive and keep fighting," she added.

Date-Krumm, who reached the semi-finals here in 1996 before later taking a 12-year sabbatical from the sport, expressed satisfaction that she had pushed her more illustrious opponent so close.

"Today was a good fight for me," Date said.



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US player Venus Williams plays against Japanese player Kimiko Date-Krumm

"Of course I'm very, very disappointed. But most important, I played my tennis and showed I can fight with Venus. She's a five-time champion here. So it was a very, very good match for me."

Williams in turn was left marvelling at the performance of her evergreen opponent.

"I played a very tough opponent today. She doesn't play anywhere near her age," she said. "Obviously she's a huge role model. She hits hard and she runs fast and she's extremely competitive, as you saw today."

There was a happier outcome for another Japanese woman however, with qualifier Misaki Doi, the world number 133, stunning 30th seed Bethanie Mattek-Sands 6-4, 5-7, 7-5 in the first round.

Elsewhere however the form book held sway as five more seeded players advanced safely to the second round.

Polish 13th seed Agnieszka Radwanska didn't drop a game in her match against Olga Govortsova, winning 6-0, 3-0 before the Belarussian retired hurt.

Italy's Flavia Pennetta, seeded 21, downed Irina Begu of Romania 7-6 (7/3), 4-6, 6-2 while Australia's Jarmila Gajdosova beat Ukraine's Alona Bondarenko 7-5, 6-3.

Slovakian 24th seed Dominika Cibulkova came from a set down to edge out Mirjana Lucic 3-6, 6-3, 8-6 but there was no such difficulty for Germany's Julia Goerges, seeded 16, who breezed past Spain's Anabel Medina Garrigues 6-3, 6-0.

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NBA star considers playing for Germany



DALLAS, Texas (AFP) — NBA star Dirk Nowitzki says he is considering playing for the German national basketball team as it tries to qualify for the 2012 Summer Olympic Games.

Nowitzki, who turned 33 on Sunday, told the US media Tuesday that he would make an announcement either way in a couple of weeks.

Earlier this month, Nowitzki led the Dallas Mavericks to their first championship by beating LeBron James' Miami Heat in six games in the NBA finals.

Nowitzki also considers his stint with the German team at the 2008 Beijing Games to be one of the highlights of his career. He won a bronze medal with Germany at the 2002 World Championships.

Germany must finish among the top half dozen teams of the 24 at the EuroBasket tournament to be eligible to qualify for the next Olympics.

Heat's Riley gives Spoelstra vote of confidence

MIAMI, Florida (AFP) — Miami Heat president Pat Riley expressed confidence in his coach Erik Spoelstra on Tuesday, saying he had no plans to return to coaching.

"It doesn't mean that I don't have the fire," Riley said. "But we have a great young coach here and I want to support him and hope that he can grow like I did. This is just his third year."

Riley's vote of confidence in Spoelstra shot down speculation that he might be pondering going behind the

bench again.

Riley ended his Hall of Fame coaching career three years ago, before hiring Spoelstra as his replacement.

Riley was speaking just over a week after the Heat lost in the NBA finals in six games to the Dallas Mavericks. He expressed disappointment at the loss but added he would try to surround Miami's three stars LeBron James, Chris Bosh and Dwyane Wade with a stronger supporting cast.

Woods to miss AT&T National

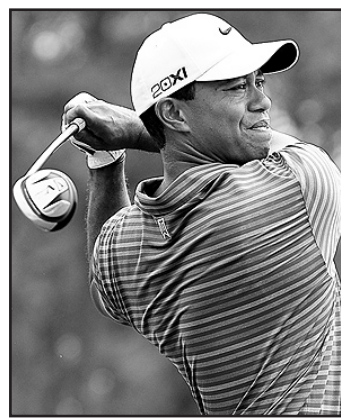
ORLANDO, Florida (AFP) — Tiger Woods said Wednesday he'll miss next week's AT&T National on the US PGA Tour as he continues to recover from injuries to his left leg.

"Doctor's orders," Woods posted on Twitter.

He said he would be at Aronimink, near Philadelphia, to support the tournament, which benefits his charitable Tiger Woods Foundations.

Woods, who was forced to skip the US Open won Sunday by Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy, said he is "feeling stronger," but is still not 100 percent.

The 14-time major cham-



pion has slipped to No. 17 in the world rankings and hasn't completed a tournament since he tied for fourth at the Masters in April.

He said he hurt his left knee and Achilles in the third

round at Augusta National, hitting from an awkward stance in pine straw.

He teed off in the Players Championship but withdrew after nine holes.

The British Open starts July 14 at Royal St. George's in England, and Woods gave no indication of whether he planned to tee it up at the year's third major championship.

The 35-year-old, who is chasing the record 18 majors won by Jack Nicklaus, is on a win drought that will enter its 21st month in July, having not taken any title since the start of his infamous sex scandal.

Posada, Garcia lift Yanks past Reds in Game 1



CINCINNATI -- Jorge Posada cracked his first home run in nearly two months, helping to lift the Yankees to a 4-2 victory over the Reds on Wednesday in the first game of a day-night doubleheader.

New York moved into position for a potential sweep of the long day of baseball at Great American Ball Park with Posada's seventh homer of the season and first since April 23, a two-run sixth-inning blast off right-hander Mike Leake.

Playing first base in his first start of the Yankees' road trip to National League cities,

Posada provided right-hander Freddy Garcia with enough support to log his sixth victory of the year.

Garcia's soft-tossing arsenal limited the Reds to two

unearned runs and three hits over seven innings, with Cincinnati's only damage coming courtesy of a fifth inning that featured two Ramiro Pena errors.

Filling in at third base for Alex Rodriguez, Pena committed a throwing error that allowed Drew Stubbs to reach base, with the toss glancing off the left side of Stubbs' face.

Edgar Renteria singled and Ryan Hanigan followed with a bouncer to third that Pena scooped, firing a one-hop throw to home plate that catcher Francisco Cervelli couldn't handle as Stubbs slid home safely.

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Group A: GERMANY, NIGERIA, FRANCE, CANADA

Having won the last two World Cup titles, Germany are the team to beat, but in Canada and Nigeria, they will be up against the north American and African champions respectively.

France coach Bruno Bini has selected 10 of the Olympique Lyon team which won Europe's Champions League final, against German opposition, and the hosts will not have things their own way. Nigeria were crushed 8-0 in Germany last year in a friendly, but the Africans are expected to be the dark horses of the group.

Germany are under enormous pressure as hosts and it looks as though they will not have things their own way in the group stages, but should still qualify as winners with Canada also going through.

Group B: JAPAN, NEW ZEALAND, MEXICO, ENGLAND

An evenly-matched group with all four teams capable of qualifying.

New Zealand will pose a strong challenge as the 2010 Oceania champions, while Japan have a wealth of experience and have qualified for all five previous tournaments.

On both their two previous appearances -- in 1995 and 2007 -- England have made the quarter-finals and Hope Powell's team have enough strength in depth to make the

last eight again.

Mexico are an unknown quantity having last qualified for the World Cup in 1999, but after losing to Canada in the CONCACAF final last year, they will be no push overs.

The Mexicans beat favourites the United States in the semi-finals, but the technically-gifted Japanese look to have all the necessary tools to reach the knock-out stages.

Group C: USA, COLOMBIA, NORTH KOREA, SWEDEN

As twice World Cup winners, the USA look set to be a force to be reckoned with again. The States have never failed to reach at least the semi-finals, but they showed some chinks in their armour last year with a third-place finish at the Gold Cup then they were beaten 2-1 by hosts Mexico in the semi-finals.

North Korea, who were beaten 2-0 by Germany in a warm-up game recently, will be strong, while both Sweden and Colombia have the experience to push the USA all the way, both will need to punch above their weight to progress.

Group D: AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, NORWAY, EQUATORIAL GUINEA

With previous winners Norway and Brazil in the same group, both Australia's predominantly young team and debutants Equatorial Guinea have their work cut out to make the quarter-finals.

Brazil are clear group favourites and led by Marta's exceptional talent, they could well go all the way to the final.

Norway have been starved of success on the global stage since they won the 1995 World Cup and scooped the 2000 Olympic gold medal in women's football.

They should make the quarter-finals behind Brazil, but having won the Asian championships last year, Australia will be pushing them for a quarter-final berth. (AFP)

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Dravid keeps India going despite wickets falling



KINGSTON (AFP) - Rahul Dravid continued his dogged defiance, but India lost two wickets - both to Devendra Bishoo - in the last half-hour before lunch in the first Test

against West Indies on Wednesday, sliding to 166 for six.

Dravid was unbeaten on 69, but India lost Suresh Raina for 27 and Mahendra Singh Dhoni for 16 to the West Indies leg-spinner just before the interval on the third day at Sabana Park, as the visitors increased their lead to 239.

Raina was caught at leg-slip for 27, gloving a delivery off Bishoo into the legs of wicketkeeper Carlton Baugh Jr before the ball lobbed to West Indies captain Darren Sammy.

In typical fashion, Dhoni played a few rousing strokes, including a straight six off Bishoo before he cut the final

delivery before lunch straight to the cover fielder, much to his disappointment.

India had been set back early, after they continued from their bedtime total of 91 for three, when Fidel Edwards had Virat Kohli caught behind down the leg-side for 15, leaving the Indians 100 for four.

Through it all, Dravid remained unflappable, playing a typically resolute innings, striking eight fours from 203 balls in close to five hours of batting.

He reached his 50 from 139 balls in grand style, with a back cut off Ravi Rampaul for his sixth boundary, sharing 48 with Raina before Bishoo intervened.

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